

**DILLON COUNTY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
JUNE 22, 2016
4:00 PM**

The Dillon County Council held a regular meeting on June 22, 2016 at 4:00 pm in the County Council Chambers, 109 S 3rd Ave, Dillon SC. Present were T.F. Finklea, Archie Scott, Randy Goings (*arrived late), Robbie Coward, and Stevie Grice. Also present were: Clay Young (County Administrator), Richard Gaddy (Finance Director), Alan Berry (County Attorney), Betsy Finklea (The Dillon Herald), and Jamie Sue Stephens (Clerk to Council). Not present was Bobby Moody and Harold Moody.

The following were notified of the meeting and provided an agenda: By e-mail – Charles Curry, Randy Grimsley (Dillon County EMS), The Dillon Herald, Susan Norton (Perdue), Tim Ammons (Attorney), Tonny McNeil (Dillon County Economic Development), Yolanda McCormick (Dillon County Librarian), Gabriel Salmon (PDCAA), Larry Abraham (Chief Deputy), Les Jackson (County Deputy), Terry Morris, Alvin Nobles, Dillon County Planning/Code Enforcement Office, WMBF News, Sheriff Major Hulon, Jerry Rivers, Dan Gruszka, Bobby Holland (SCANA), Jamie Estes (Dillon County Treasurer), Dillon County Finance, Sonny McRae (Dillon County E911), Alan Lane, Steve Johnson and Randy Rouse (Hometown TV), Manufactured Housing Institute of SC, Ron Bartley and Cathy Pelfrey (NETC), Karl McCollester (Agenda Repository), Haywood Proctor, Bo McInnis, Helen & Carley Wiggins, Danny Holder (Dillon County IT), Florence Morning News Room, Kenneth Smith, Calvin Matthews, Charlie Bailey, Rhonda Leonard, Gerry Flemming, Tonie Martin, Rosco Oxendine, Delores Smith, Terry Brown, Winna Miller, Jacorie M., Douglas Pernell (Dillon County Animal Shelter), Brandon Norris (McNair Law Firm), Melissa Thompson, Johnnie Luehrs (Dillon County Chamber of Commerce) By fax – Farm Bureau and Pee Dee Electric.

Chairman T.F. Finklea presided over the meeting.

INVOCATION

Invocation was given by Archie Scott.
(*Randy Goings arrived)

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Archie Scott motioned to approve agenda. Robbie Coward seconded and all were in favor.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – 5/25/16

Randy Goings motioned to approve the minutes. Archie Scott seconded and all were in favor.

NEW BUSINESS

SC DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE JUSTICE – MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT FY 2016-2017

Mr. Young told Council that we approve this agreement every year. The Department of Juvenile Justice is the only place to house juveniles. This is a standard agreement that every county in South Carolina uses. **Archie Scott motioned to accept agreement of the SC Department of Juvenile Justice. Robbie Coward seconded and all were in favor.**

HUMANE SOCIETY OF DILLON – MARY McDANIEL AND TERRY MCCOLL

Mary McDaniel told Council that she had found many things wrong at the Dillon County Animal Shelter. She said emergency plans need to be taken now. She proposed the following to Council: implement and furnish new building immediately; hire two additional employees; need more inmates to help out and two of the three employees should be made fulltime with benefits. By doing this it would reduce disease, depression and awful stench which have become a trademark of Dillon County Animal Shelter. In order to increase adoptions and also provide space for exercise and volunteers to exercise dogs, to meet and greet for potential adoptees propose to fence in grass area that is adjacent to shelter cats and dogs could get exercise. Mrs. McDaniel said that we need to work together for the sake of the animals. Terry McColl told Council that there is only one intake room at the main shelter that serves as intake for cats, storage and also intake for puppies. She explained that the animals are housed in rusty wire kennels and close quarters which allow diseases to travel among animals so she is requesting stainless steel cages, exam table, classic grooming tub and a patio in the amount of \$16,555.00. **Stevie Grice motioned to give \$16,555.00 to purchase the cages, exam table, grooming tub**

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and catio. Archie Scott seconded. Voting for motion was Stevie Grice, Robbie Coward, TF Finklea and Archie Scott. No vote was Randy Goings.

RONALD CRAWFORD – NEWTOWN CLEAN UP

Ronald Crawford addressed concerns about Newtown cleanup. Archie Scott told Mr. Crawford we do not have a policy in place at this time. He explained to Mr. Crawford that it would be sent to a committee to put a policy in place that will allow us to clean the right a way.

RECREATION REQUESTS

Archie Scott motioned to approve the following requests: \$75.00 payable to Rotary Club from Stevie Grice's recreation; \$175.00 payable to Lions Club, \$100 from Robbie Coward's recreation and \$75.00 from Stevie Grice's recreation; \$175.00 payable to Kiwanis Club, \$100.00 from Robbie Coward's recreation and \$75.00 from Stevie Grice's recreation; \$75.00 payable to Criterion Club from Stevie Grice's recreation; \$270.00 payable to Pilot Club of Dillon, \$200.00 from Robbie Coward's recreation and \$70.00 from Stevie Grice's recreation; \$200.00 payable to Cooks For Christ, \$100.00 each from Stevie Grice and Robbie Coward's recreation; \$200.00 payable to Neighbors Helping Neighbors, \$100.00 each from Stevie Grice and Robbie Coward's recreation; \$100.00 payable to Floyd Dale Ladies Auxiliary from Stevie Grice's recreation; \$200.00 payable to Floyd Dale Fire Department from Stevie Grice's recreation; \$50.00 payable to Ark of Safety House of Prayer for summer youth events and trips from Archie Scott's recreation; \$50.00 payable to New Saint Mark Missionary Baptist Church to help fund the recreation for the youth of the church from Archie Scott's recreation; \$50.00 payable to New Saint Mark Missionary Baptist Church for Back to School Bash from Archie Scott's recreation; \$50.00 payable to Fork Chapel Baptist Church for Man in Black Program from Archie Scott's recreation; \$100.00 payable to First Friendship Missionary Baptist Church for homecoming queen for Nancy Hargrove, \$50.00 each from Randy Goings and Archie Scott's recreation; \$250.00 payable to Lake View Fire Department from Bobby Moody's recreation; \$250.00 payable to Lake View Jr. American Legion Baseball from Bobby Moody's recreation; \$200.00 payable to Annual Wild Gator Golf Tournament from Bobby Moody's recreation; \$1,225.00 payable to Fire Department Station #4 from Harold Moody's recreation; \$100.00 payable to Diamond Back 04 from Robbie Coward's recreation; \$100.00 payable to Diamond Back 05 from Robbie Coward's recreation; \$100.00 payable to Diamond Back 06 from Robbie Coward's recreation; \$100 payable to Dixie Chicks from Robbie Coward's recreation; \$100.00 payable to Dixie Divas from Robbie Coward's recreation; \$100.00 payable to Viqueens from Robbie Coward's recreation; \$100.00 payable to DC Outbreaks from Robbie Coward's recreation; \$100.00 payable to DC Theatre from Robbie Coward's recreation; \$100.00 payable to Dillon County 4H Gun Club from Robbie Coward's recreation; \$100.00 payable to Latta Lightning from Robbie Coward's recreation; \$295.00 payable to The Boys and Girls Club, \$250.00 from Robbie Coward's recreation and \$45.00 from Randy Goings recreation.

Robbie Coward seconded and all were in favor.

Mr. Coward questioned about recreation checks being written before Council approved them. Mr. Young said that there is no policy for that. County Attorney, Alan Berry, told Council that it should be brought before Full Council. He explained that the budget committee should meet and present to Council their recommendation. He also told Council that this should be addressed by setting a policy to abide by and go forward. Mr. Young said that this policy could be made part of the budget ordinance.

FINANCE REPORT

Mr. Gaddy reported that currently we have \$1,379,770.44 more revenue than expenses as of the end of May.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Young told Council that the Public Safety Committee met, but there was no final conclusion. There will be a meeting with full Council at a workshop and meet with the Fire Departments.

ORDINANCE READINGS

FIRST READING – AN ORDINANCE BY DILLON COUNTY COUNCIL TO AMEND THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF DILLON COUNTY TO REZONE A PARCEL OF LAND KNOWN AS TAX MAP NUMBER 110-00-00-109, 110 PARCEL 049 AND 110 PARCEL 072 FROM A GENERAL COMMERCIAL (GC) DISTRICT

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TO RURAL (RU) DISTRICT

Larry Jones, Planning and Zoning Director, told Council that this ordinance deals with a zoning map change, from a commercial district to a rural district. Todd Phillips, owner of one parcel, who at one time had a body shop and wants to make it a residence now, along with what use to be a restaurant and is now a church, who owns the other parcel. The Dillon County Planning Commission held a meeting and public hearing and voted in favor to change from General Commercial to Rural. **Stevie Grice motioned to have first reading. Robbie Coward seconded and all were in favor.**

FIRST READING – AN ORDINANCE BY DILLON COUNTY COUNCIL AMENDING ZONING ORDINANCE TO ADD ITEM #18 – SOLAR FARMS

Larry Jones, Planning and Zoning Director, explained to Council that Dillon County Planning Commission held a meeting and voted to add Solar Farms to the Ordinance. He told Council that he had received many calls of people wanting to bring solar farms into Dillon County. He explained that the committee thought that there should be stipulations of what the county would expect from the solar farms. **Archie Scott motioned to have first reading. Robbie Coward seconded and all were in favor.**

FIRST READING – AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE GRANT BY DILLON COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA (THE “COUNTY”) OF CERTAIN SPECIAL SOURCE REVENUE CREDITS TO A COMPANY KNOWN TO THE COUNTY AS “PROJECT PINEAPPLE PALACE” (THE “COMPANY”) PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 4-1-175 OF THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA 1976, AS AMENDED; AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF AN INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY AND THE COMPANY; PROVIDING FOR THE DELIVERY OF ANY AND ALL OTHER NECESSARY AGREEMENTS WITH THE COMPANY TO EFFECT THE INTENT OF THIS ORDINANCE; AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED TO THE FOREGOING

Chairman Finklea told that this will be deferred to after executive session.

EMERGENCY ORDINANCE PROVIDING ESSENTIAL SERVICES – 2016 – 2017 BUDGET

Chairman Finklea told Council that since the budget has not been passed then an emergency ordinance must be passed in order to pay County Employees. Robbie Coward asked is there a time that it must be passed by. Alan Berry replied according to emergency ordinances it is 60 days. **Archie Scott motioned to pass emergency ordinance providing essential services 2016 – 2017 budget. Robbie Coward seconded and all were in favor.**

APPOINTMENTS

DILLON COUNTY BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS

District One – No appointment at this time. **District Six** – **Robbie Coward motioned to appoint Dr. Linda Hayes to the Dillon County Board of Zoning Appeals. Randy Goings seconded and all were in favor.**

PEE DEE WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD REAPPOINTMENT – JAMES ROBERTS REPLACING DEAN PAGE

Robbie Coward motioned to appoint James Roberts to the Pee Dee Workforce Investment Board. Randy Goings seconded and all were in favor.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – PROJECT PINEAPPLE PALACE

Robbie Coward motioned to go into executive session. Archie Scott seconded and all were in favor.

Archie Scott motioned to come out of executive session. Stevie Grice seconded and all were in favor.

RESULTS OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

Robbie Coward motioned to have first reading of Project Pineapple Palace to give special source revenue tax credit. Archie Scott seconded and all were in favor.

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ADJOURNMENT

Archie Scott motioned to adjourn. Stevie Grice seconded and all were in favor.

T.F. Finklea, Chairman

Jamie Sue Stephens, Clerk to Council

Date Approved _____